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***For Immediate Release***

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Edward E. McNally, United States Attorney for the Southern District of Illinois, announced today that **DANIEL ALEXANDER**, age 44, of East Carondolet, Illinois, was ordered to be held without bond on a charge of **BANK ROBBERY**. At a hearing held on November 30, 2005, the United States Magistrate Judge found probable cause that **ALEXANDER** robbed the West Pointe Bank and Trust Company of Dupu, Illinois on Monday, November 28, 2005 and that **ALEXANDER** posed a risk of flight and danger to the community. **BANK ROBBERY**, a violation of Title 18, United States Code, Section 2113(a) carries a maximum statutory penalty of up to twenty (20) years' imprisonment, a fine of up to \$250,000, and up to three (3) years' supervised release.

The Complaint alleges that **DANIEL ALEXANDER** entered the West Pointe Bank and Trust Company on the morning of November 28, 2005 and handed a teller a note demanding money. The Complaint alleges that **ALEXANDER** emphasized his demand by motioning with his hand in his pocket. The Complaint further alleges that the teller, believing **ALEXANDER** had a weapon, gave **ALEXANDER** approximately \$1,155.00 in cash. **ALEXANDER** was apprehended that same morning at his residence in East Carondolet. **DANIEL ALEXANDER** *is presumed innocent of the charges until proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt to the satisfaction of a jury.*

The Complaint follows an investigation conducted by the Federal Bureau of Investigation in cooperation with the Dupu Police Department, Columbia Police Department, the Illinois State Police and members of the Metro East Safe Streets Task Force. The prosecution of the case is being handled by Assistant United States Attorney Kevin F. Burke.